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SUBJECT: INSTRUCTIONS FOR USREP TO 56TH MEETING OF DIRECTING COUNCIL OF INTER-AMERICAN CHILDREN'S INSTITUTE (IACI)

#### A. ELECTIONS

- 1. THE TERMS OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE INSTITUTE, THE CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL OF THE INSTITUTE ARE ENDING; STATUTES AND RULES REQUIRE AN ELECTION BY THE DIRECTING COUNCIL. THE FOLLOWING GUIDANCE IS SUPPLIED ON THIS SUBJECT.
- 2. USREP IS INSTRUCTED TO VOTE FOR DR. MARIO ALTENFELDER
  OF BRAZIL AS CHAIRMAN AND FOR MRS. BERTHA TORRIJOS DE
  AROSEMENA OF PANAMA AS VICE-CHAIRMAN, ONCE HE HAS CONFIRMED
  THAT THEY ARE CANDIDATES. USREP CAN, IF HE DEEMS THE MOVE
  PROPER, NOMINATE MRS. AROSEMENA FOR VICE-CHAIRMAN. IF
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DR. ALTENFELDER IS NOT A CANDIDATE FOR COUNCIL CHAIRMAN,

THE USREP MAY SUPPORT AND VOTE FOR MRS. AROSEMENA AS CHAIRMAN AND FOR GABRIEL LEYVA OF MEXICO AS VICE-CHAIRMAN.

3. DEPARTMENT IS NOT AWARE OF CANDIDATES OTHER THAN DR. RAFAEL SAJON OF ARGENTINA FOR THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR GENERAL. WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO VERIFY THAT SAJON'S

CANDIDACY IS SUPPORTED BY ARGENTINA. USREP IS INSTRUCTED TO SUPPORT AND VOTE FOR RE-ELECTION OF DR. SAJON, UNLESS UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES MAKE THIS INADVISABLE.

- 4. DISCUSSION: IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT AROSEMENA AND LEYVA ARE ACTIVELY SEEKING ELECTION AS CHAIRMAN OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL. HOWEVER, IT IS UNLIKELY THAT THERE WILL BE A SERIOUS CHALLENGE TO ALTENFELDER'S CANDIDACY. USREP MAY DIVULGE OUR VIEWS ON THIS ELECTION TO OTHERS AS HE DEEMS APPROPRIATE. IN THE EVENT THAT ANOTHER STRONG CANDIDATE SHOULD EMERGE FOR THE POST OF DIRECTOR GENERAL, THE USREP IS REQUESTED TO NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT IMMEDIATELY. THE USREP IS AUTHORIZED TO RESOLVE OTHER QUESTIONS THAT MAY ARISE CONCERNING THESE ELECTIONS UNLESS HE BELIEVES THE VIEWS OF THE DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE SOUGHT.
- B. ITEM A-10 GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY XV CHILD CONGRESS WE ARE IN AGREEMENT WITH THE ANNIVERSARY PLANS OUTLINED BY THE DIRECTOR, BUT DO NOT CONSIDER THAT OAS SPECIALIZED CONFERENCE STATUS WOULD ADD MUCH TO THE EVENT. AGENDA: THE COMPREHENSIVE OR SYLLABUS STYLE AGENDA LEADS TO DIFFUSION OF DISCUSSIONS. USREP SHOULD ATTEMPT TO BRING ABOUT SHARPER FOCUS. REGULATIONS: AS DOCUMENT WAS APPROVED LAST YEAR, NO FURTHER BASIC CHANGES NECESSARY. ENGLISH TEXT OBVIOUSLY MUST BE PUT INTO PROPER ENGLISH. ONE MAJOR DISCREPENCY, BETWEEN ART. 1 REFERRING TO "MEMBER STATES" (I.E., OF INSTITUTE) AND ART. 8 REFERRING TO "AMERICAN COUNTRIES", SHOULD BE RECTIFIED USING "MEMBER STATES" IN ART. 8.

C. ITEM A-18.1 - BUILDING

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SUPPORT FOR PLANS FOR BUILDING CONSOLIDATING OAS ACTIVITIES IN MONTEVIDEO SHOULD BE SUBJECT TO SPECIFIC RESERVATION AS TO FUTURE COSTS THAT MIGHT RAISE QUOTAS.

D. ITEM A-18.2 - USG DONATION OF BOOKS

ONLY DOCUMENT RECEIVED MAKES NO MENTION CANCELLATION ARREARS. DEPARTMENT HAD UNDERSTOOD THAT DIRECTOR GENERAL

### WOULD SO RECOMMEND.

E. ITEM D-1 AND D-2 - PROCEDURE FOR ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND NOMINATION OF DIRECTOR GENERAL. WE ARE IN AGREEMENT WITH PROCEDURE IN EACH CASE.

### F. ITEM C-3 - PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 1976-78

USREP IS INFORMED THAT THE U.S. SPOKESMAN IN BUDGET REVIEW PROCESS, AFTER GIVING GENERAL SUPPORT TO INSTITUTE, WENT ALONG WITH STRONG MAJORITY RECOMMENDATION FOR AN INCREASE OF \$26.7 THOUSAND OVER THE LEVEL OF EXPENDITURES FOR 75/76. USREP SHOULD, AFTER SECURING VERIFICATION OF THE PROPOSED REDUCTION, SUGGEST THE NEED FOR GUIDANCE BY THE DIRECTING COUNCIL ON MOST EFFECTIVE ALLOCATION OF REDUCED BUDGET.

### G. POSSIBLE PROPOSAL FOR CUBAN PARTICIPATION

THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT OF CUBA WAS EXCLUDED FROM PARTICIPATION IN THE ORGANS AND AGENCIES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM BY DECISION OF 8TH MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS IN 1962. THAT DECISION REMAINS IN FORCE. NO CUBAN DELEGATIONS HAVE ATTENDED IACI MEETINGS SINCE THEN. THE RECENT DECISION OF 16TH MFM IN SAN JOSE DID NOT RPT NOT RELATE TO MEMBERSHIP IN OAS, BUT CONCERNED ECONOMIC AND OTHER SANCTIONS APPLIED TO CUBA SINCE 1964 AND DEALT ONLY RPT ONLY WITH THE BILATERAL RELATIONS OF OAS MEMBER STATES WITH CUBA. THERE IS NO BASIS FOR IACI, A SPECIALIZED ORGANIZATION OF OAS, TO RECONSIDER EXCLUSION OF CUBA. USREP SHOULD THEREFORE OPPOSE ANY STEPS LEADING TOWARDS REINCORPORATION OF THAT COUNTRY. KISSINGER

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